111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 2881

To provide greater technical resources to FCC Commissioners.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 14, 2009

Ms. Snowe (for herself and Mr. Warner) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "FCC Commissioners"
- 5 Technical Resource Enhancement Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. APPOINTMENT OF TECHNICAL STAFF.
- Section 4(f)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934
- 8 (47 U.S.C. 154(f)(2)) is amended by inserting after the
- 9 first sentence the following new sentence: "Each commis-
- 10 sioner may also appoint an electrical engineer or computer

- 1 scientist to provide the commissioner technical consulta-
- 2 tion when appropriate and to interface with the Office of
- 3 Engineering and Technology, Commission Bureaus, and
- 4 other technical staff of the Commission for additional
- 5 technical input and resources, provided that such engineer
- 6 or scientist holds an undergraduate or graduate degree
- 7 from an institution of higher education in their respective
- 8 field of expertise.".

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